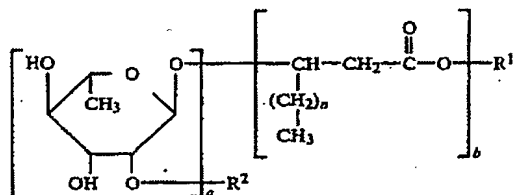


$O(CH_2)_mCH_3$ ester thereof with m being an integer between 0 and 3, or a lactone ring formed with R^7 ; R^{10} is H or OH;

- R^7 is H or a lactone ring formed with R^9 ;

or

a rhamnolipid biosurfactant of the formula (II):



(II)

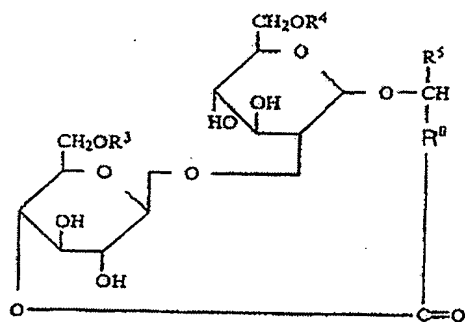
in which a and b independently from each other are 1 or 2, n is an integer from 4 to 10, R^1 is H or a cation, preferably H, R^2 is H or the group



preferably H, m being an integer from 4 to 10, and m and n may be the same or different;

or a combination of the micellar phase sophorolipid and rhamnolipid biosurfactant.

3. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the glycolipid micellar phase biosurfactant is a sophorolipid biosurfactant corresponding to the formula (III):



(III)

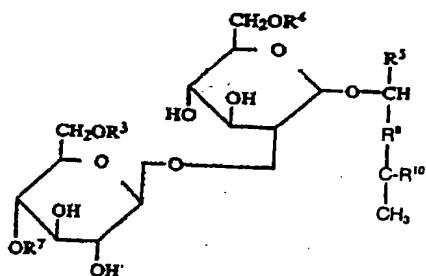
in which R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^8 are as defined in formula (I), and whereby at least one of R^3 and R^4 is an acetyl group.

4. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2-3~~ claim 2, characterized in that wherein the glycolipid micellar phase biosurfactant is a sophorolipid biosurfactant and R^5 is a methyl group.

5. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2-4~~ claim 2, characterized in that wherein the glycolipid micellar phase biosurfactant is a sophorolipid biosurfactant whereby R^6 is the group R^8 -CO- R^9 and the total number of carbon atoms of R^5 and R^6 is from 6 to 20, R^5 , R^6 , R^8 and R^9 being as defined in formula (I).

6. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that wherein R^5 is CH_3 and R^8 is an unsaturated linear hydrocarbon chain having 13-15 carbon atoms or a saturated linear hydrocarbon chain having 6-9 carbon atoms.

7. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2 or 4~~ claim 2, characterized in that wherein the glycolipid micellar phase biosurfactant is a sophorolipid biosurfactant corresponding to the formula:



(IV)

in which R^3 , R^4 , R^5 , R^8 and R^{10} are defined in formula (I).

8. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in claim 7, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein R^5 is CH_3 R^{10} is H and R^8 is a saturated linear hydrocarbon group having 8-10 carbon atoms.

9. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2-8~~ claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the glycolipid micellar phase biosurfactant is a rhamnolipid biosurfactant and n is 6.

10. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2-9~~ claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the glycolipid micellar phase surfactant is a rhamnolipid biosurfactant and b is 2.

11. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-10~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the non-glycolipid micellar phase surfactant is selected from the group of anionic, cationic, amphoteric and non-ionic surfactants, or a combination thereof.

12. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-11~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the weight ration of the glycolipid micellar phase biosurfactant to the non-glycolipid micellar phase surfactant is within the range of 1:7 to 10:1.

13. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-12~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the weight ratio of the glycolipid micellar phase rhamnolipid biosurfactant to the non-glycolipid micellar phase surfactant is within the range 1:7 to 2:1, preferably 1.25:1 to 1:1.25.

14. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-12~~ claim 1, characterized in that wherein the weight ratio of the glycolipid micellar phase sophorolipid biosurfactant to the non-glycolipid micellar phase surfactant is within the range 1:2 to 10:1 or 1:4 to 4:1, preferably 2:1.

15. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-14~~ claim 1, characterized in that wherein the amount of the glycolipid micellar phase biosurfactant is within the range of 0.05–5.0% by weight with respect to the total weight of the composition.

16. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-15~~ claim 1, characterized in that wherein the amount of the glycolipid micellar phase biosurfactant and non-glycolipid micellar phase surfactant together is from 0.3-30% by weight with respect to the total weight of the composition.

17. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-16~~ claim 1, characterized in that wherein the composition further comprises a non-glycolipid surfactant which is in the lamellar phase.

18. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in claim 17, characterized in that wherein the lamellar phase non-glycolipid surfactant is an ethoxylated non-ionic surfactant.

19. **(Currently amended)** The detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-18~~ claim 1, characterized in that wherein the liquid detergent composition is an aqueous or non-aqueous composition.

20. **(Currently amended)** A hard surface cleaning detergent composition comprising an amount of the detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-19~~ claim 1.

21. **(Currently amended)** A laundry composition comprising an amount of the detergent composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-19~~ claim 1.